

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Niibori et al. (U.S. 6,067,133) in view of Applicant's admitted prior art. Claims 2-6 are allowed.

Drawings

It is noted that the Examiner has accepted the drawings as originally filed with this application.

Amendments to Specification

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to provide a title more descriptive of the claimed invention. It is believed that the foregoing amendment to the specification overcomes the outstanding objection thereto. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the foregoing amendments to the specification.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claim 1 and has amended claim 4 to obviate the objections set forth in the outstanding Office Action. It is believed that the amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 2-6 are allowed. Since no prior art was cited against the claims, it is believed that claims 2-6 are in condition for allowance.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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